

Burrillville

Recreation Commission

RE: Minutes, April 8, 2013

Present: Juliette Lopez - Chair John Pacheco

Al Gerew Andrea Hall, DPW

Sandra Dalton Ken Milligan, III, Ph.D.

Tim Pratt Aaron Coutu

Absent:

Excused: Jeff McCormick, Dave Marcotte

Guests: Cheri Hall

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Juliette Lopez , Chair

Motion to accept minutes of March 11, 2013 - Motion made by Al Gerew. Seconded by Ken Milligan, III, Ph.D, motion passed.

Correspondence:

Al Gerew brought a thank you card for Kevin Mazzarella's service on the Parks & Recreation Commission

Good & Welfare: None

Old Business:

DEM Grants - Skate Park

Andrea Hall made mention of the need for signage regarding safety and liability issues.

Park Map/Trail Map

Ken Milligan, III, Ph.D stated that schools appear to be engaged with other tasks and might not be able to assist with this effort. We may need to secure artistic resources elsewhere.

Brown House at Spring Lake

no new updates

Dog Park

Mention was made of a possible issue with the proposed location of the dog park. Alternate locations include the area of the “old gas station”. Efforts moving forward will be led by Aaron Coutu.

Easter Egg Hunt

Overall a good turnout for the event. Andrea Hall handed out an

overview of tickets sold, profit, etc to commission members present.

New Program Ideas

Andrea Hall provided a hand out for the upcoming programs and also made mention of an upcoming clinic for NYSCA coaches training (hand out provided).

A concern was brought up about background checks for town volunteers, etc and the fact that these checks are not recurring. This will be added as new business for the May meeting.

Al Gerew made a recommendation that a sub committee be formed to review policy as it relates to the Recreation Centre. A decision was made to have an initial meeting at the Burrillville Parks & Recreation Office on April 29th at 6:30pm. This will also be added as new business for next month.

Duck Pond Passive Recreation

Andrea Hall stated the permit was approved by the Town Council.

Earth Day

Supplies are ready for the event (Sat April 20) including 250 tshirts. Discussed possible change of date for next year so as to not conflict with local baseball opening day.

Budget

Reviewing budget line items.

Spring Lake Beach – Operating Policies

Cheri Hall brought a binder of Spring Lake Beach policies to review. Issues discussed were restricted (banning) smoking areas, opportunities to use more of the beach and the beach store. Cheri mentioned a lack of credit had hampered the store's ability to keep up with inventory and noted the possibility of having the store run privately. Cheri will also follow up with the State regarding a question about sales taxes.

LOWES/KAB Community Improvement Grant/RIRRC Public Space

Andrea Hall stated we are awaiting word on 2 grants. We should have an update on the \$20,000 grant by the next Parks/Rec meeting. A decision regarding the second grant will be coming in June.

Multi-Department Events

Andrea Hall provided handouts for the Burrillville Family Fair. There was also a discussion about separating this from the 'Celebrate Burrillville' event. Juliette Lopez had questions about the 'Relay for Life', Andrea Hall will be providing an update next month.

New Business:

Date for Walk through at Spring Lake

Discussed a possible June meeting at the beach.

Secretary for Parks & Rec Commission

This item was moved to the beginning of our agenda as there was no active secretary for this month's meeting. Al Gerew made a motion to nominate Tim Pratt for secretary, Juliette Lopez seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Update on Park at CVS

To be named Granite Mill Gonyea Park, no opening date set

Meeting Adjourned: Motion made Al Gerew. seconded by Tim Pratt.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Next Meeting: Monday, May 13, 2013, at 6:30 p.m., Burrillville Parks & Recreation Office, 92 North Main St, Pascoag, RI 02859

Recorded by

Tim Pratt, Secretary

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